<u>Amendments</u>

Please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

In the Specification:

Delete paragraphs 2-5 on page 1, lines 10-24 and paragraphs 1-3 on page 2, lines 1-11, and substitute therefor:

"Method, System And Program Products For Managing A Clustered Computing Environment," Novaes et al., (Docket No. POU9-2000-0004-US1), Serial No. 09/583,677, filed May 31, 2000;

"Method, System And Program Products For Providing Clusters Of A Computing Environment," Novaes et al., (Docket No. POU9-2000-0021-US1), Serial No. 09/583,686, filed May 31, 2000;

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> "Method, System And Program Products For Defining Nodes To A Cluster," Novaes et al., (Docket No. POU9-2000-0011-US1), Serial No. 09/583,582, filed May 31, 2000;

> "Method, System And Program Products For Ordering Lists Of Service Addresses To Provide Load Balancing Of A Clustered Environment," Novaes et al., (Docket No. POU9-2000-0010-US1), Serial No. 09/584,638, filed May 31, 2000;

"Method, System And Program Products For Automatically Configuring Clusters Of A Computing Environment," Novaes et al., (Docket No. POU9-2000-0005-US1), Serial No. 09/584,528, filed May 31, 2000;

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"Method, System And Program Products For Managing Identifiers Of Components Of A Clustered Environment," Novaes et al., (Docket No. POU9-2000-0007-US1), Serial No. 09/584,935, filed May 31, 2000; and

"Method, System And Program Products For Managing Cluster Configurations," Novaes et al., (Docket No. POU9-2000-0096-US1), Serial No. 09/583,693, filed May 31, 2000.

Delete paragraph 3 on page 46, lines 21-26 and lines 1-2 on page 47 and replace with:

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Thereafter, the resource controllers update the System Registry (Step 5, FIG. 15) with the configuration for the resources (e.g., hardware) that they control, and notify the Resource Manager on the new node (Step 6, FIG. 15) that the update is complete. The Resource manager process then notifies the DCM (Step 8, FIG. 15), when it receives the completion status for this operation for the resource controllers that are registered with it.

Delete paragraph 1 on page 64, lines 1-8 and replace with: